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Minutes of the Mickleham Parish Council Meeting held at 7.30pm on 13 March 2024

Venue	Ranmore Room, St Michael's Church
Chair	David Ireland (DI)
Councillors Present	Graham Clark (GC) John Lowes (JL) Andrew McNaughton (AM) Gill Wilson (GW)
Clerk	Feena Graham (FG)
Attending	District Cllr Leah Mursaleen-Plank District Cllr Chris Budleigh David Sadler, Police Community Support Officer Penny Newman, Police Community Support Officer
Members of the Community	-

Item No		Action:
1	<p>(1/03/24) Opening Formalities</p> <p>DI welcomed everyone present to the council meeting.</p> <p>1.1 Apologies for absence David Ottridge (unwell) Will Dennis (unwell)</p> <p>1.2 Declarations of Interest/Requests for Dispensations None declared for this meeting.</p> <p>1.3 Agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10 January 2024 The minutes were approved by Parish Councillors present, with one spelling correction, and minutes duly signed by the Chair.</p> <p>1.4 Chair's Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There had been no further updates to the anticipated bridge repairs at both Cowslip Bridge leading to the Kinlochs and Swanworth Bridge. • No further updates from Cllr Hazel Watson re the temporary closure of Bridleway/footpaths. 	
2	<p>(2/03/24) Open Forum</p> <p>2.1 Liaison between Surrey Police and Mickleham Parish Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both David Sadler and Penny Newman, Community Support Officers were in attendance. • DI was asked to raise the issue of the use of red cones/bollards in front of private houses on the curb side. David Sadler reported that this was not legal and only Highways can put cones out, as they require a licence. • DI read through the incidents report forwarded by the Liaison team. <p>David Sadler asked about a report of an aggressive dog in the area.</p> <p>2.2 Public Questions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DI was asked to raise the issue of the use of red cones/bollards by private 	

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	<p>residents outside their homes. This was raised in the above point.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No further questions were raised. 	
	<p>(3/03/24) Finance & Formalities</p> <p>DO had prepared and forwarded all the details for the accounts. DI ran through the finance.</p> <p>3.1 Approve Accounts for Payments</p> <p>Retrospective payments are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £93.54 - Refund to Clerk for Zoom payments for July to December 2023 £159.99 - Refund to the Clerk for purchase of "Arnold-Baker" PC Reference book. <p>All Parish Councillors present agreed the payments.</p> <p>3.2 Agree Bank Reconciliation</p> <p>DI restated details from January's Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MPC to donate £500 St Michael's Church to underwrite some of the costs of the Summer Fair and to increase the profit to be made. Arrangements have been made with the Church to purchase a tree for the memorial of Judy Kinloch. <p>The bank reconciliation up to the 31 March 2024 had been circulated and was approved by all Parish Councillors present and signed by the Chair.</p> <p>The current bank balance as of 5th March is £4252.42</p>	
4	<p>(4/03/24) Planning</p> <p>AM had no new applications to report.</p> <p>AM updated the meeting regarding the Local Plan. Both AM/WD will be drafting a letter containing comments to be submitted on behalf of MPC.</p>	Action/ AM & WD
5	<p>(5/03/24) Reports from Working Group</p> <p>5.1 Norbury Park Working Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JL had nothing new to report back on. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 11th March (tomorrow) and is being held at the Village Hall. Both JL & GW will be attending. JL will raise the issue of the closure to bridle paths and repairs to both bridges in Norbury Park. <p>i. Tenancy Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DI detailed his phone conversation with Charles Maxlow-Tomlinson of Halsey Garton. A lot of the properties have 27 years lease left and the SCC are looking to sell them where possible. A meeting has been arranged between families Powers and Woods, 	

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	<p>Charles Maxlow-Tomlinson, a representative from Curchods Estate Agents, both WD & DA (MPC) to talk through details. The meeting will take place on Thursday 11th March (tomorrow) at 6pm.</p> <p>ii. Affordable Housing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Cllr Chris Budleigh raised the issue of affordable housing in the Mickleham/Westhumble area. • Based on the community-led housing project in Poland Meadow, in Brockham • Should a similar project be undertaken to explore sites in the Mickleham Parish and Westhumble area. • Discussion was held around a Community Survey being conducted, involved costs, and requiring a Management Company to oversee all the work. • DI suggested that Cllr Chris Budleigh liaise with AM to discuss and explore the feasibility of the project and bring any comments to the next meeting. • Cllr Chris Budleigh will be raising this issue at the next Westhumble Residents Association meeting as well. 	
6	<p>(6/03/24) Council Purchase.</p> <p>6.1 Picnic Bench The bench has been delayed due to the poor weather and being built outdoors. It is anticipated to be ready around the end of March. The Commemorative plaque (King's Coronation) has been ordered and delivered.</p> <p>6.2 Bus Shelter WD had forwarded details of the negotiation and the repairs have been completed and paid for by the Company at fault.</p> <p>6.3 Memorial Item (Judy Kinloch) Following the last meeting discussion had been held with St Michael's Church regarding the type and positioning of the tree.</p> <p>6.4 Notice Board – Recreation Ground Quotes for replacement / repair work have been sort. Details to be forwarded when received.</p>	Action / Clerk
7	<p>(7/03/24) Traffic & Parking & Noise</p> <p>7.1 Speedwatch Group Update Angela Ireland had forwarded details of the group's recent work since the last parish meeting. DI read out their report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only one session was carried out since the last meeting in January. Held on Saturday 3rd February when two motorists were registered exceeding the speed limit. • Another watch attempt was made at 8.00am on 6th February but it was not 	

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	<p>possible to continue, as the road sweeper was progressing slowly down the area of road where the group is allowed to operate.</p> <p>VAS Readings were not received from SCC.</p> <p>DI reported that a feasibility study for the 20-mile per hour restriction outside Box Hill School was due to be conducted by the end of the month. The MPC would wait for the result before any proposed changes to the Speedwatch sign is reviewed.</p> <p>JL confirmed that he had completed the ROWIP survey on behalf of MPC.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mickleham Parish Council was invited to submit views on the new Surrey Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP). Surrey County Council's ROWIP (a strategic policy document), sets out how Surrey County Council can make sure the public rights of way network meet the needs of the public, now and for the next ten years.	
8	<p>(8/03/24) Councillor & Clerk Forums Updates.</p> <p>No forums have taken place since the last MPC meeting. As all Councillors are now invited to future meeting and will receive information directly, it was decided to remove this regular item from future Agendas. Any urgent updates will be reported as and when needed.</p> <p>NOTE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The Next Councillor forum is on Wednesday 24th April at 730pm. Details of the link to join via ZOOM to be sent to Councillors.The Next Clerk Forum is on Tuesday 23rd April at 1030am.	
9	<p>(9/03/24) Urgent Items received by the Chair.</p> <p>9.1 Hedgehog Highway Project The project was discussed. No follow up was required.</p> <p>JL confirmed he had sent an article to the Mickleham Magazine detailing the two websites to report any issues around traffic problems. These were published in the recent Speed Survey and January's meeting minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Police : https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb-v3/report-antisocial-behaviour/antisocial-vehicle-use/Environmental Health: https://www.molevalley.gov.uk/home/environmental-health/pollution/noise-complaint <p>DI congratulated Cllr Leah Mursaleen-Plank on her news that she is expecting her</p>	

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	<p>second child and reminded the Parish Councillors that Leah is standing as a candidate for the MV District Councillor in May's Elections on Thursday 2nd May.</p> <p>DI confirmed DO will be standing down as MPC Councillor after May's meeting and asked the current Councillors to look at recruiting a replacement from the Mickleham community. Any names to be forwarded to the Clerk for further information.</p>	
10	<p>(10/03/24) Next Meetings:</p> <p>Wednesday 08 May 2024 – inc. the Annual Parish Meeting.</p> <p>Councillors to put forward suggestions for speakers for the Annual Parish Meeting.</p> <p>Future Meetings Wednesday 10 July 2024 Wednesday 11 September 2024 Wednesday 13 November 2024 inc. Children's Recreation Ground Trust Meeting Wednesday 08 January 2025 Wednesday 12 March 2025</p>	<p>Action / ALL</p>

DI thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.48pm

Signed: David J. Inland Date: 8.5.24

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